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Examiner: C.B. Wilder, Ph.D.

Group Art Unit No.: 1655

Applicant(s): van Dongen et al.

Filing date: November 12, 1999

Serial No.: 09/439,040

For (title): MOLECULAR DETECTION OF  
CHROMOSOME ABERRATIONS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time is requested as marked below:

ACTION FOR WHICH EXTENSION IS REQUESTED

- ☐ Response to non-final office action mailed .  
(timely and complete response not previously filed).  
☒ Response to final office action mailed 1/8/01.  
(application not placed in a condition for allowance by a previous timely filed response).  
☐ Filing of Appellant's brief, notice of appeal dated .  
☐ Filing of a continuing application having an express abandonment of this application conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.

EXTENSION REQUEST PERIOD AND FEE CALCULATION

- ☒ The period for taking the above-identified action without extension fees expired on 4/8/01.  
☐ The period for taking the above-identified action has previously been extended (by the payment of the appropriate extension fee) to

The requested extension period (and associated fee) is:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month<br>§ 1.17(a) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$ 55.00 - small entity*<br><input type="checkbox"/> \$ 110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months<br>§ 1.17(b)           | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 195.00 - small entity*<br><input type="checkbox"/> \$ 390.00           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months<br>§ 1.17(c)         | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 445.00 - small entity*<br><input type="checkbox"/> \$ 890.00           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months<br>§ 1.17(d)          | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 695.00 - small entity*<br><input type="checkbox"/> \$ 1,390.00         |

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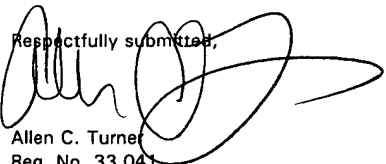
- ☒ \*Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.  
☐ \*A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is enclosed.  
☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 which may be due should be charged to deposit account no. 20-1469. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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